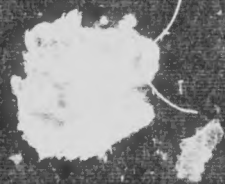


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**THE ART
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1. The management of the affairs of the Art Museum of Toronto pursuant to the Act of Incorporation shall be vested in a Council which shall consist of 20 members to be elected or nominated in accordance with the By-laws together with such Ex-officio members as are eligible under By-law No. 3 and By-law No. 7. Seven members shall form a quorum.

2. The Art Museum of Toronto shall consist of four classes of members, namely,—Founders, Benefactors, Life and Annual Members.

3. Donors of \$5,000 and upwards shall be entitled Founders, shall be Ex-officio members of the Council and shall have their names inscribed on the walls of the Art Museum and printed in every Annual Report.

4. Donors of \$500 shall be entitled Benefactors. When there are twenty Benefactors or over, they shall be entitled to be represented on the Council by at least five members of their own class to be chosen by vote of the Benefactors for submission to the Annual Meeting of the Association. Any other Benefactors, in addition to these five members, shall be eligible for Council membership by vote at the Annual Meeting. The names of the

Benefactors shall be printed in every Annual Report. One of the Benefactors so elected to the Council shall from time to time be one of the Vice-Presidents of the Association.

5. The payment of \$100 shall constitute Life Membership. The Council shall have power by a vote of not less than twelve of its members to elect to a Life Membership any person who shall have attained distinction in Art or who may have rendered important services to the Art Museum. When there are fifty Life Members or over they shall be entitled to three representatives of their own class on the Council, to be chosen by the Life Members for submission to the Annual Meeting. Any other Life Members in addition to the three so chosen shall be eligible for election to the Council by vote at the Annual Meeting.

6. The proposed members of the Council submitted by the Benefactors and Life Members shall not be qualified to act until they are elected by a majority of votes at the Annual Meeting in the same manner as other members of the Council. If the Benefactors or Life Members fail to make or agree upon the choice of the members of the Council provided for in By-laws 4 and 5, or in case any member so chosen is not approved of by a majority of the members at the Annual Meeting, then the five Benefactors and the three Life members, or such one or more in lieu of such named as may not be accepted, shall be chosen and elected at the Annual Meeting as in case of other members of the Council.

7. Any Society or Organization in the City of Toronto having for its object the cultivation of

Fine and Applied Art shall, subject to such conditions as the Art Museum may from time to time determine, be represented by its President or other nominee as an Ex-officio member of the Council, provided that the total of members thus representing such Societies and Organizations shall not exceed six.

8. The payment of \$10 a year by a layman and \$5 a year by any member of a recognised Art body, or by any one who has satisfied the Council that he is an Art student, shall constitute Annual Membership.

9. Any member, not being in default, shall be entitled, without charge, to admission for himself and family in the same domicile (not exceeding five persons) to the Museum buildings and to all Art Exhibitions held therein.

10. The form of subscription for membership shall be as follows :—

I desire to have my name enrolled as a*
.....of the Art Museum of Toronto,
and in accordance with its by-laws I agree to pay
the sum of dollars.

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11. The Annual Meeting shall be held on the first Monday in May in each year, or upon such other day as the Council may determine.

NOTE :—* " Founder," " Benefactor," " Life Member," " Annual Member."

‡ In cases of large subscriptions this sum may be divided as arranged with the Council of the Art Museum; payment to be made at the call of the Council.

12. The annual election of officers and retiring members of the Council shall be by ballot.

13. Special general meetings may be called at any time by order of the President or on the written request of five members of the Council, or of any ten members, which request shall state the object of the meeting.

14. At least three days' notice by mail of any meeting shall be given, and such notice shall state the place and hour of meeting.

15. The rules governing the conduct of business in the House of Commons for Canada shall govern at all meetings annual or otherwise.

16. The Council shall meet for the transaction of business at such times and places as it may by resolution determine.

17. The officers shall consist of a President and two Vice-Presidents. A Curator, Secretary and Treasurer may be appointed by the Council with salary. These three offices may be filled by one or more persons.

18. The President shall preside at all meetings. On his death or inability to act, or in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents shall take his place with like powers, and in the absence of all the Presidents, the Council shall elect a Chairman.

19. The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds and shall keep a regular account thereof, and make a yearly report and an official report when required by the Council. The Treasurer's year shall

end on the 31st day of March and his yearly report shall be delivered to the Council not later than the 15th of April.

20. The Council may appoint such salaried employees as may from time to time be required, and may require security from such employees, and make regulations for the employment and control of such employees.

21. All acts and deeds of the Corporate Body and of the Council shall be signed by the President or one of the Vice-Presidents, and by the Secretary or Treasurer. The seal shall be determined by the Council, and shall be officially in charge of the President.

22. It shall be the duty of the Council to keep all the buildings, works of art, books and other property insured against loss by fire.

23. The Council may distribute the work of management amongst Committees. The act of the Committee in such management shall be the act of the Council until revoked at a meeting of the Council, but such revocation shall not interfere with the rights of third parties which may have accrued in the meantime.

24. The Committees to be appointed by the Council shall be as follows:—

1. Finance.
2. Buildings and Grounds.
3. Collection and Exhibitions.
4. Special matters relating to Art.

25. The powers and duties of all Committees shall be from time to time defined by the Council by resolution.

26. No member of the Council or of any Committee shall by reason of any act of omission or commission be personally liable for any loss or damage, cost or expense in connection with or relating to the Corporate Body unless the same is the result of his own wilful negligence.

27. No work of Art unless of a high order of merit, of which the Council or Committee in that behalf shall be the judge, shall be accepted.

28. All purchases of works of Art shall be made by the Council or by a Committee appointed by the Council for that purpose.

29. The Council shall have power to lease any portion of its buildings for the purpose of holding sales, loan or other exhibitions of works of Art of undoubted merit, and for any other purpose in the interest, encouragement and promotion of Art as the Council may at any time determine.

30. The Council shall have power to amend, alter or repeal any by-law and such alteration, amendment or repeal shall be in force until the next general meeting of the Corporate Body and shall continue to be in force unless disapproved of by not less than two-thirds of the members present at such general meeting.

31. The by-laws relating to the powers and duties of the Council shall not be construed as in

any way limiting the power of the Council under the Special Act of 1903, Section 6, and in case of variance the by-laws, rules and regulations of the Council shall prevail unless and until repealed or modified at a general or annual meeting.

32. All existing by-laws of the Art Museum of Toronto heretofore enacted are hereby repealed, provided always that such repeal shall not affect any act done or any right of action existing, accruing, accrued or established.